(b) whether there is any delay in installing the Anti-Collision Device in trains;

(c) if so, the reasons for the delay; and

(d) if not, by when the device is going to be installed in trains?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) No, Sir. Anti-Collision Device, developed by Research, Design and Standards Organisation (RDSO) and Konkan Railway Corporation Ltd., was put on trial on Katihar Division of North-east Frontier Railway from 22nd January to 24th January, 2001. Thereafter, two more trials were conducted on Konkan Railway section from 26th March to 27th March, 2001 and 20th June to 21st June, 2001, respectively and items requiring attention were identified. Further extensive field trials are proposed to be conducted in North-East Frontier Railway to establish workability, reliability and maintainability.

(b) to (d) Do not arise. The Anti-Collision Devices are proposed for installation in trains i.e., locomotives and brake-vans, stations, level crossings and other vulnerable locations only after successful completion of extensive field trials and evaluation of results. The time frame for deployment can, therefore, be firmed up only after successful development of Anti-Collision Device.

Daily run of Bangalore-Delhi-Bangalore Rajdhani Express

747. SHRI K.C. KONDAIAH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of days in a week the Bangalore-Delhi-Bangalore Rajdhani Express is being run at present;

(b) the average waiting list for the above train;

(c) whether there is any demand for running it daily; and

(d) if so, the steps taken to make to run it daily?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) 2429/2430 Nizamuddin-Bangalore Rajdhani Express is available on 4 days a week.

(b) The average waiting list during last six months of the above train between Delhi and Bangalore for I AC is 0.295, 2-tier AC is 6.105 and AC 3-tier Class is 13.6.

(c) Some representations have been received in this regard.

(d) Due to operational and resource constraints as well as lack of proper commercial justification increase in frequency of the train is not found feasible at present.

Proposal for new passenger trains

748. SHRI PARMESWAR KUMAR AGARWALLA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether, as per the Railway Budget 2001-2002, there were proposals for introduction of 24 new passenger trains to be flagged off during recent months;

(b) whether it is a fact that Government have since taken a decision to drop out 12 new passenger trains, from the above Budget proposal;

(c) if so, the details thereof and reasons therefor; and

(d) by when the remaining new trains are likely to be flagged off?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) There was proposal for introduction of 24 pairs of trains in the Railway Budget speech 2001-2002 during the year 2001-2002.

(b) to (d) No, Sir. Till date 11 pairs of trains have been introduced. It is proposed to introduce the remaining trains during 2001-2002.

Report of judicial enquiry into rail accidents

749. SHRI SOLIPETA RAMACHANDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of persons killed as a result of derailment of Mangalore-Chennai Mail on 22nd June, 2001;

(b) the number of coaches derailed;

(c) whether it is a fact that judicial enquiry reports on November, 1998 Khanna accident and December 2000 Rajpura accident are still awaited;

(d) if so, the reasons for delay in enquiry reports causing rail accidents; and

(e) the steps being taken by Union to get the enquiry reports of the accidents within a shortest time?